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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, Applicants respectfully request  
 that the documents, listed below in reverse chronological order and on the accompanying  
 PTO 1449, be considered by the Examiner and made of record in the above-referenced  
 application. Copies of the documents listed are enclosed as Exhibits A and B of the

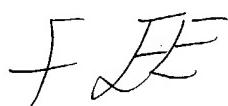
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Identification of the listed documents is not to be construed as an admission of the applicants or attorneys for Applicants that such citations are available as "prior art" against the subject application. If the Examiner applies the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of the documents.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

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